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1. IN DISCUSSIONS WITH HEALTH AND SCIENTIFIC ADMINISTRATORS AND OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING (MOHFP), INDIAN COUNCIL OF MEDICAL RESEARCH (ICMR), COUNCIL OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH (CSIR), UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION (UGC) AND DEPT. OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DOST), THE FOLLOWING LIST OF RESEARCH AREAS HAVE MATERIALIZED AS POSSIBILITIES FOR COOPERATION WITB U.S.AGENCIES IN THE HEALTH AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES:

A. COMMUNICABLE DISEASES:

A. MALARIA

B. LEPROSY

C. FILARIASIS

D. TUBERCULOSIS

E. CHOLERA

B. PARASITIC AND TROPICAL DISEASES

C. VIRUS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES

D. NUTRITION:

A. MALNUTRITION AND VITAMIN DEFICIENCIES (IRON DEFICIENCY ANEMIA)

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B. MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

C. GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

E. HUMAN FERTILITY AND CONTROL:

A. REPRODUCTIVE BIOLOGY AND PHYSIOLOGY

F. DELIVERY OF HEALTH SERVICES

A. METHODOLOGY

B. HEALTH STATISTICS

C. HEALTH MANPOWER

G. FOOD AND DRUG ADULTERATION AND TOXICOLOGY

H. ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICOLOGY (HEALTH ASPECTS)

A. WATER MANAGEMENT

I. NEUROLOGICAL DISEASES

A. EPILEPSY

J. CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES AND STROKES:

A. RHEUMATIC AND CONGENITAL HEART DISEASES

B. STROKES IN YOUNG ADULTS

K. CANCER:

A. ORAL

B. CERVIX

C. STOMACH AND COLON

D. DEVELOPMENT OF CHEMOTHERAPY UNITS

E. EPIDEMIOLOGY

L. METABOLIC DISEASES:

A. KIDNEY AND URINARY

B. DIABETES

M. BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

N. BIOMEDICAL COMMUNICATIONS:

A. DEVELOPMENT OF A NATIONAL INFORMATION SYSTEM

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PRIORITIES EXCEPT FOR ITEMS A THROUGH F AND POSSIBLY ITEM G.
HOWEVER THERE IS CERTAINLY INTEREST IN THE OTHER FIELDS, PARTICULARLY
IN THE SUB-AREAS SPECIFIED. FOR EXAMPLE, THE ICMR IS HIGHLY IN-
TERESTED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A JOINT PROJECT WITH THE NIH ON
STROKES IN YOUNG ADULTS. KIDNEY DISEASES AND DIABETES ARE OF A MAJOR
IMPORTANCE IN CERTAIN GEOGRAPHIC AREAS AS ARE SPECIFIC TYPES OF
CANCER.

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